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Dear Mr. Helms:

You will perhaps recall that last February President Johnson named as members of a newly created study group on careers for women the 36 holders of the Federal Woman's Award. To supplement the sparse information available from other sources, this study group has found it necessary to question Federal agencies directly on certain aspects of their recruiting, training, and promo-· tion practices in regard to professional women. These are addressed in the enclosed questionnaire.

I, of course, am fully aware of the security problems which this questionnaire will pose to you and to General Carter. I am also sure, however, that with your interest they will be solvable. Our concern lies in the relative position of professional women, in the percentages, rather than in the absolute numbers. Moreover, the totals for all of CIA would yield misleading results, for I feel sure that in CIA the relative importance of jobs for which females are not qualified is larger than in the average executive agency.

Honorable Richard Helms - 2

I would suggest, therefore, that you respond to the questionnaire for only the relevant parts of the agency, the relevant part to be determined by you and not defined for us. It could be, for example, CIA minus the DD/P; it could be just the DD/I. In any event the DD/P-type activities would serve only to distort our totals and should not be included in our results. To be most helpful, your reply should be in my hands by January 1, 1967.

I solicit your aid in this assignment, for, after all, CIA got me into it!

With the warmest of regards and best wishes--

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Penelope H. Thunberk Chairman, FWA Study Grovp

Honorable Richard Helms Deputy Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Enclosure

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### AGENCY QUESTIONNAIRE ON STATUS OF WOMEN

NOTE: Most of the statistical information the President's Study Group needs is being obtained from the recurring reports agencies make to the Civil Service Commission.

## Instructions:

- a. Submit one consolidated report for your entire agency.
- b. Use a separate sheet for each of the eight questionnaire items.
- c. Enter the item number and the name of your agency at the top of each sheet.

# Recruitment of Women

- 1. List the different kinds of actions your agency has taken during fiscal year 1966 designed especially to recruit women for professional, technical, or managerial jobs. Of these, which proved to be most effective?
- List for fiscal year 1966 the occupations in which women have been placed for the first time in your agency.
- 3. State briefly any problems you may have encountered in recruiting women for professional, technical, or managerial positions.

#### Training and Advancing Women Employees

4. List the different kinds of actions your agency has taken during fiscal year 1966 designed especially to insure that women are provided opportunities for training in professional, technical, or managerial fields. Of these, which proved to be most effective?

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- 5. List the major formally organized management training programs (other than those conducted or sponsored by the Civil Service Commission) in which your agency's employees in grade GS-12 and above and equivalent participated during fiscal year 1966. Consider as major those which are at least a week in length. For each, show the number of women in GS-12 and above and equivalent who participated.
- 6. State briefly any problems you may have encountered in training and advancing women in your agency.
- 7. List the names, grades, and positions of women in grades GS-16 through GS-18 and equivalent. List also the names and positions of women in positions above the GS-18 level.

# Part-Time Employment of Women

- 8. a. Give the number of women employed part-time in your agency as of June 30, 1966.
  - b. Of these, show the number that are employed in professional, technical, or managerial positions.
  - c. Has your agency made any special efforts to employ women part-time in professional, technical, or managerial jobs? If so, state briefly what was done, the results achieved, and any problems encountered.

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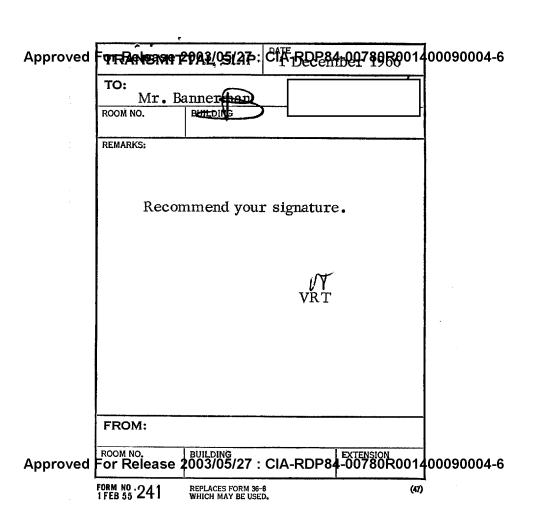
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